

**Draft**  
**Minutes Rainbow Planning Group**  
**July 2011**

**Call to Order: July 20, 2011 7:00 PM by Chairperson Sanford**

**Roll Call:**

Present: , Dennis A. Sanford, Curtis Nicolaisen, Ron Trotter, Julio Avila, Pete Bacot, Bud Swanson, , Nita Pearce, Fred Rasp, , Keith Flanagan, , Dianne Rohwer-Johnson, William Crocker

Absent: Craig Ohlson, , Mila Bonner, Jim Anderson

A quorum was declared by Chairman Sanford

**Minutes:**

Approved as submitted.

**Open Forum and Committee comments:**

Ken Fietz spoke to the RPG about his intention to establish a "you pick" strawberry farm on 5th St. He is in his second year and expects to have 50k plants grown in a vertical system. He asked for advice as to the next steps and he was referred to the DPLU. The idea was welcomed by the RPG.

Dennis Drake addressed the group and stated his desire to join the RPG. He was welcomed by the group.

**County Action Items:**

Dennis Sanford stated that there would be an important Steering Committee meeting this Saturday July 23rd and asked for volunteers to go in his place. Curt Nicolaisen said he would go and report back to the group at the next meeting

Senator Feinstein letter has been sent.

Dennis Stanford stated that he was working on getting Liberty Quarry on the Board of Supervisor's agenda., especially since the quarry entrance and address will be in San Diego County.

Dennis reported that he had spoken to the consultant working on the proposed SDG&E "spiker" plant being planned for construction in Rainbow. Dennis said that he was concerned that the project had been made public. Dennis said he would have more at our next meeting.

Dennis also reported that the funding for the LA to San Diego portion of the high speed rail had been dropped by Sacramento. There was little chance we would see more on this anytime soon. This project would have had a major impact on Rainbow.

**Old Business:**

I-15 Corridor... Nothing at this time

Pala Raceway ...Bud Swanson commented that there was not any noticeable change in the noise levels since the new protocol was introduced by Pala.

A recommendation was made to write another letter to Pala regarding the noise issue. Bud Swanson will draft a letter for Dennis Stanford's signature.

Post Office

Congressman Issa is in support of a Post Office. However, funding would be a real problem at this time.

Dennis Sanford spoke with Duke Maples and he is interested in pursuing a satellite Post Office in the Oaks complex.

Playground Rainbow Park ....Nothing at this time.

RMWD Report ... Dennis Sanford reported that reservoir covers were moving forward. He also said that there has been discussion at the District by some as to how they could get around Ordinance 95-1 which requires the District to get voter approval on expenditure greater than \$1M.

Rice Canyon Request for Signage ... Nothing at this time

Liberty Quarry.... Jerri Arganda reported that at the last Planning Commission meeting Mr. Johnson of Liberty was very upset that the Commission allowed a second round of rebuttal arguments against Liberty's EIR. They used the wrong formula in their calculations for air quality.

She said that there would be another meeting on August 15th and a decision most likely would be made regarding their recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. She urged everyone to attend.

Jeri also reported that Granite Construction had gone to SD County and requested an increase in size for the Rosemary's Mt. quarry.

New RPG appointee.... Gary Drake has applied to join the RPG.

***New Business:***

Expense reimbursements ... None at this time.

***Agenda Items for August Meeting:***

Rosemary's Mountain

***Meeting Adjourned 8:00 PM.***

***Next meeting August 17, 2011***

Respectfully Submitted:

Bud Swanson

Acting Secretary

August 14, 2011